

1940: Hitler Airdrops Peace Leaflets Over London

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THE SETTING

By July of 1940, Germany is in complete control of the war which had been imposed upon it. The Polish aggressor has been defeated, peace with France has been established, and Adolf Hitler has graciously allowed the British to evacuate the continent (at Dunkirk), leaving their equipment behind. Furthermore, the Soviet Union and the United States are not even in the war. So then, with Germany 'holding all the cards,' and Winston Churchill now bombing German civilians, what does the big bad Hitler do? He continues to plea for an end to the senseless war - with no strings attached. That's what!

Most students of real history, and certainly all readers of RHC, already know that. But did you know that Hitler went so far as to airdrop mass quantities of 'peace leaflets' over London? It's true. The 4-page leaflets were English-language copies of his recent speech before the German nation, a speech which the Germans arranged to have broadcast on hundreds of radio stations across Europe. The July 19th speech was entitled: "A Last Appeal to Reason."

Dropped over London the day after, the leaflet summarizes the injustices inflicted upon Germany after the Great War of 1914-1918, warns of the machinations of the Jewish warmongers and their henchmen, and finally closes with Hitler's plea to call off the war.



A LAST APPEAL TO REASON BY ADOLF HITLER

Speech before the Reichstag, 19th July, 1940

"In this hour I feel it to be my duty before my own conscience to appeal once more to reason and common sense in Great Britain as much as elsewhere. I consider myself in a position to make this appeal, since I am not the vanquished, begging favors, but the victor speaking in the name of reason. I can see no reason why this war must go on. I am grieved to think of the sacrifices it will claim.

I should like to avert them. As for my own people, I know that millions of German men, young and old alike, are burning with the desire to settle accounts with the enemy who for the second time has declared war upon us for no reason whatever. But I also know that at home there are many women and mothers who, ready as they are to sacrifice all they have in life, yet are bound to it by their heartstrings.

Possibly Mr. Churchill again will brush aside this statement of mine by saying that it is merely born of fear and of doubt in our final victory. In that case I shall have relieved my conscience in regard to the things to come."

BRITAIN'S RESPONSE

And what was Britain's response to Hitler's sincere "leaflet bombing?" Laughter, ridicule, insults, threats, and more bombs, that's what! Churchill could have ended this little regional skirmish long before it escalated into the intercontinental bloodbath now known as World War II, the "Good War" as court-historians say. UK warmonger Sefton Delmer, the future head and mastermind of British "Black Propaganda," was just about to make his debut broadcast to Germany on the BBC when he heard the Führer's "last appeal to

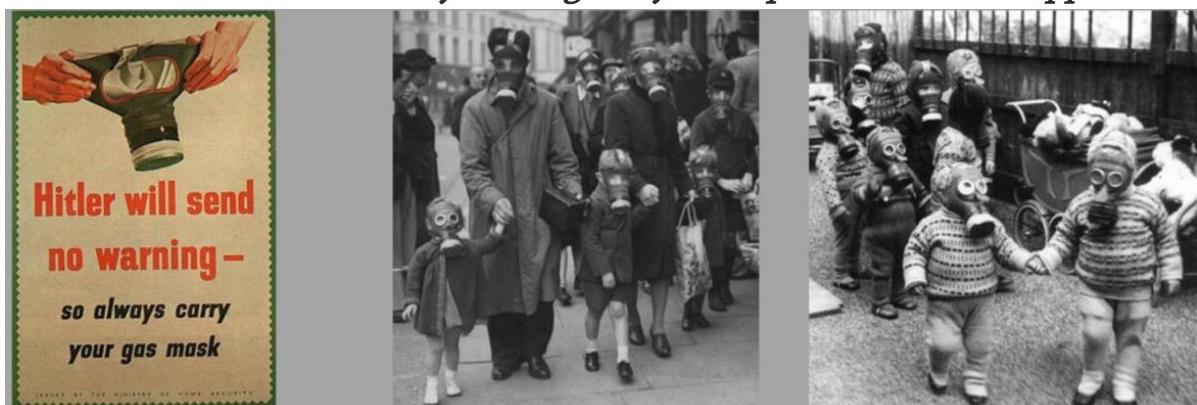
reason." Delmer rejected any notion of a compromise peace. Bigmouth Delmer announced:

"Herr Hitler," you have in the past consulted me as to the mood of the British public. So, permit me to render your Excellency this little service once again tonight. Let me tell you what we here in Britain think of this appeal of yours to what you are pleased to call our reason and common sense. Herr Führer, we hurl it right back at you, right in your evil smelling teeth."

Delmer's inflammatory statement upset a few peace-minded Members of Parliament, but undoubtedly pleased Churchill, his Jewish handlers, and other assorted "patriots" very much.



1. Legendary Black Propagandist Sefton Delmer keeps the war-fires burning. // 2. Ignorant British soldier shown laughing as he reads Hitler's leaflet. // 3. New York Daily News grossly misrepresents Hitler's appeal.



During his July, 1940 speech, which Hitler later leafleted London with, he pleaded for peace. Meanwhile, the British government shamelessly

frightened its own people with idiotic tales of imminent German gas attacks and the need for wearing masks



"When I look around to see how we can win the war I see that there is only one sure path. We have no Continental army which can defeat the German military power..., there is one thing that will bring him down, and that is an absolutely devastating, exterminating attack by very heavy bombers from this country upon the Nazi homeland. We must be able to overwhelm them by this means, without which I do not see a way through."

[Extract from Winston S Churchill The Second World War (Volume 2 Their Finest Hour Appendix A), Memo from Prime Minister to Minister of Aircraft Production, 8.July 1940]